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PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. **02356.0086**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)		
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Application No.: 10/712,533) Examiner: Nita M. Minnifield		
Filed: November 14, 2003))		
For: PLASMODIUM FALCIPARUM ANTIGENS AND THEIR VACCINE AND DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATIONS	 Confirmation No.: 5870)))) 		

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	
Total	39	-	42	0	x \$ 50	\$	0.00
Indep.	3	-	6	0	x \$200	·	0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$360							0.00
Subtotal Reduction by ½ if small entity						\$	0.00
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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper, beginning on page 2.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper at page 14.